



Schedule of Events:
Public Release of Kalamazoo River Mediation Results
20 February 2007 (revised)

The Kalamazoo community has been concerned about mediated negotiations in the area. We expect there will be a great deal of interest in the administrative agreement(s) and work plan(s) resulting from those sessions. The decisions may be controversial so we should make a great effort to explain why we have chosen the approach(es) and why they are in the best interest of the community.

There are also political entities that must be informed because of the high level of community concern and involvement. Participation in elected official briefing and media event are optional for partners, but all should have representative for the public meeting. Partners in these events have agreed to the following:

- federal and state elected officials briefing in Lansing before material is released to news media (use Michigan Legislature office)
- news media briefing the following day at Plainwell (or at a convenient nearby meeting room) because the first 2 activities resulting from the mediation will take place in that community
- public meeting to explain the results in more detail

(In 1/30/07 conference call, partners agreed it would be best for EPA signing to be close to implementation of this schedule to avoid any appearance that the participants had delayed release of information.)

The following schedule for release of the mediation results was agreed on in phone conference 14 Feb 2007.

All dates are tentative, contingent on agreements being approved and draft materials being approved through OPA to complete fact sheet/news release development.

Partners means

- Environmental Protection Agency
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Department of the Interior)
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (Department of Commerce)
- Michigan Department of Attorney General
- Michigan Department of Environmental Quality
- Michigan Department of Natural Resources
- Georgia-Pacific [PRP]
- Millennium Holdings [PRP]

Activity	Responsibility	Involved Entities	Complete Date	Release Date
Draft info for fact sheet	Partners (SF lead)	Partners	Done	
EPA notifies elected officials of briefing		EPA		Feb 26
Develop Fact Sheet	OPA, SF (Hill contract)	Partners [minus PRPs] ²	In Development	Feb 27 ¹
Mail Fact Sheet	Hill	Hill		Feb 27 ⁴
News media advised of briefing		EPA		Feb 27
Elected officials briefing	Partners	Partners		Feb 27 ³ (list of state officials next page)
Issue News Release	Partners (minus PRPs) ⁴	OPA, SF, ORC	In development	Feb 28
Debrief elected officials meet	Partners	Partners		Feb 28 a.m.
Advise Plainwell mayor	Shari Kolak	To be determined		Feb 28 a.m. ⁵
News media briefing	Partners	Partners		Feb 28 2 p.m.
3 tribes briefing	Tribes/Partners	Tribal env. Staff/Partners	To be determined based on tribes' desires – probably around time of public meet	
Availability meeting	Partners	Partners		March 15 1-3:30 p.m.
Public meeting	Partners	Partners		March 15 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Dredging photo op	Partners	Partners		Late March/Early April

1. SF to coordinate joint language with partners, provide information to OPA for CH²MHill to develop FS
2. Per Agency policy, PRPs will not review/comment on draft or final news release and FS
3. Afternoon session is preferred, but may have to schedule for morning to accommodate elected officials.
4. EPA will take lead in coordinating development and release of new release and fact sheet
5. Kolak will call Plainwell to arrange meeting; city manager may have to substitute for mayor; partners to decide on who participates

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FEDERAL ELECTED OFFICIALS

Senators

Carl Levin
Debbie Stabenow

Representatives

Peter Hoekstra
Fred Upton

STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS

Senators

Patricia Birkholz
Thomas George

Representatives

Jacob Hoogendyk
Mike Nofs
Lorence Wenke
Tonya Schultmaker
Fulton Sheen

Plainwell Mayor

Rick Brooks